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TO: School District Superintendents

FROM: Julie Magee, Division Administrator

Standards, Learning & Accountability Division

DATE: June 13, 2013

SUBJECT: Public Comment for Chapter 31 Rules

IMPORTANT INFORMATION – PLEASE SHARE IMMEDIATELY

Per state statute (W.S. 21-2-304(a)(iii)), the Wyoming Content and Performance Standards are reviewed every five (5) years, and revisions are approved by the State Board of Education. The following content areas have been revised: Foreign Language and Fine & Performing Arts. These revisions were approved by the State Board of Education on May 8, 2013.

Both the Chapter 31 Rules and the revised Wyoming Content and Performance Standards for Foreign Language and Fine & Performing Arts are currently posted on the WDE website at http://edu.wyoming.gov/Programs/standards.aspx. Please take time to review these documents.

In addition to the standards revisions, the following changes are also being proposed:

Removal of Wyoming Content and Performance Standards from the Chapter 31 Rules and renamed in their own chapter (Chapter 10);

Including a date of full implementation for each newly adopted standard;

Renaming Chapter 31 Rules to Wyoming Graduation Requirements;

Renaming Section 10 of Chapter 31 Rules to "District Assessment System"; and,

Incorporating the requirements of Enrolled Act 116.

The Department will be accepting public comment from June 13, 2013 through July 28, 2013. The state will review and consider all public comments and make modifications as appropriate.

Public comment may be submitted by visiting http://edu.wyoming.gov/Programs/standards/chapter-10-rules.aspx for the new Chapter 10 Rules and http://edu.wyoming.gov/Programs/standards/chapter-10-rules.aspx for the revised Chapter 31 Rules. Comments may also be sent via

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